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JOURNAL LIGHT
By FRANK BURKE

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BUSINESS MEN
WHO APPRECIATE PATRONAGE OF UNION MEN AND WOMEN AND THEIR FAMILIES ADVERTISE IN ORGANIZED LABOR'S OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER

UNION MEN
OF ALAMEDA COUNTY EARN SIX MILLION DOLLARS MONTHLY AND ARE SPENDING THEIR UNION WAGES AT HOME WITH FRIENDS OF LABOR

On the Firing Line—

It does one good to see the spirit of the striking clerks at Whitthorne and Swans' department store.

In the labor temple this week the girls and boys were more than cheerful. They took advantage of the newly equipped kitchen and made themselves coffee and sandwiches. And what a cheerful group . . . even though on strike they kept a stiff upper lip and not a grouchy one in the whole lot.

With a morale like that a strike is easy to win.

Bye, Bye 'Arry—

Well, its come at last!

I mean what I predicted several months ago . . . the end of the CIO longshoremen.

All it needed to put Australian 'Arry Bridges on the skids was a couple of guys with intestinal fortitude enough to go after him.

Like those who dog it 'Arry is looking for all kinds of excuses to try and discredit the unions who can't see him or his communistic pals.

It didn't take long for the crash up . . . the rank and file are pretty well fed up on the CIO-commie control of the waterfront and Bridges is on the well greased skids.

It wouldn't surprise me at all to see the longshoremen return to the AFL . . . without Bridges and his commie following.

Making Red Faces—

Someone's face sure will be red when the American Federation of Labor's investigating committee submits its findings on the communist party in the United States.

John P. Frey is heading the committee and will give his report to a congressional committee within a few days.

It looks to me like a lot of "big bugs" will be among the many "commies." And from what I learn it will go far into the CIO . . . but that won't be surprising.

Can You Guess Who?—

Each week a description of a prominent labor personality will be published in this column. Guess who . . . . the name will appear next week.

Last Week's "Guess Who?"

BOB ASH
Business Representative
Garage Employes

This week's "guess who?"

Kinda stout. Has represented his union for some 16 years. Lives in Alameda. Has one boy. Is often seen around the labor temple but does not hold meetings there. His union is an old established one in the county. Drives a Chevrolet car. Age about 48.

Who is it?

ULTIMATE LABOR PEACE VISIONED BY MORRISON

Secretary-Treasurer of the American Federation of Labor Says Federation's Membership Has Increased Over One Million Since Suspension of C. I. O. Unions

Frank Morrison, secretary-treasurer of the American Federation of Labor, in an address at Atlantic City, N. J., before the quarterly meeting of the Union Priters' league of New Jersey, predicted the ultimate healing of the breach in the American labor movement caused by the formation of the committee for industrial organization and the revocation of the charters of nine national and international unions for their refusal to withdraw from the C. I. O. The league is an organization of journeymen printers who are members of the international typographical union, an affiliate of the A. F. of L.

"There is no question but what the labor movement will be reunited," said Mr. Morrison.

"Meanwhile the American Federation of Labor has increased by 1,130,000 members since the ten C. I. O. unions were suspended. We now have 102 national and international unions and 800 central bodies standing by to assist in organizing the unorganized."

Asked to name the date when he thought the unity of the labor movement would be realized, he replied:

"I think I can tell you better in 1940."

Pay Hike for Miners

Alberta Coal Diggers Benefit From Conciliation Award

More than 2,000 coal miners in the Drumheller district of Alberta, Canada, will benefit by wage increases of approximately 5 per cent, recommended in a majority report of a board of conciliation which investigated a dispute between members of Local 18, United Mine Workers of America, and mine operators in the area, it was announced on Monday by Hon. Norman Rogers, minister of labor.

The greatest robber of union wages is the purchaser of unfair products.

LABOR TO FIGHT VICIOUS INITIATIVE

AUTO SALESMEN BACK AT WORK AFTER LOCKOUT

Local Union of Salesmen Thank Members of Organized Labor and Friends For Support

After a one-day lockout the members of Automobile Salesmen's Union, Local No. 1095 returned to work Saturday under terms and provisions of their collective bargaining agreement signed by the east bay motor car dealers' association, dated August 1, 1937.

A committee of six, consisting of three members of the above mentioned union and three members representing the association, will meet with and under the auspices of J. F. Hassler, city manager, and Walter Mathewson (federal mediator), to decide on issue, to-wit:

"Whether or not the certain contract above-referred to is now in full force and effect. Pending the settlement of this issue, by the said committee, the said contract will be deemed in full force and effect.

"In the event the committee reaches the conclusion that the said contract has expired, immediate negotiations shall be had looking to the execution of a new agreement. Pending negotiations, the said contract shall be deemed to be in full force and effect until said new proposed agreement shall have been executed to supersede the present agreement.

"In the event the committee reaches the conclusion that the said contract has not expired and is in full force and effect, said contract shall remain in effect in accordance with its provisions for a period of one year from and after August 1, 1938."

The union, through its business representative, John Philpott, thanked all unions this week for the assistance given them in their controversy.

STATE CIVIL SERVICE ASSN. CONVENTION CALLED NOV. 11

Th seventh annual convention of the California federation of civil service associations will convene in Los Angeles, Friday, November 11 and stay in session until Sunday, November 13.

G. W. Eves, lieutenant of the Oakland fire department, is executive secretary of the association and says a large crowd is expected at the convention.

SHEET METAL WORKERS RECEIVE JURISDICTION

The work on two service stations, under construction by Harry T. Gettings, over which a jurisdiction dispute arose several days ago was awarded today to the sheet metal workers' union by President Joseph A. McInerney of the building and construction trades department of of the American Federation of Labor.

McInerney notified the local building trades council of his finding, in a telegram addressed to Charles R. Gurney, secretary of the council.

COUNCIL TO LIVE UP TO AGREEMENTS

In an attempt to raid A. F. of L. local unions working under agreement at the General Engineering company in Alameda, the CIO staged a demonstration in front of the plant last Tuesday morning.

Their "raid" was unsuccessful and AFL workers continued employment as usual.

"The company and the employes intend to live up to their agreement," said Al Wynn, secretary of the metal trades council of the bay district.

DEPARTMENT STORE EMPLOYES STILL ON STRIKE

Whitthorne & Swan Employes Continue Strike; Committee Seeks Services of Conciliator

Fourteen crafts at the Whitthorne & Swan department store in Oakland continued their strike today after several meetings between the strategy committee and the employers this week failed to bring about a settlement.

Another conference is scheduled for this morning when certain proposals will again be submitted to the employers for their acceptance.

Some two weeks ago the strike was called when certain crafts were refused the closed shop. When these crafts walked out the other union crafts refused to pass their picket lines.

Services of United States Conciliator Walter Mathewson were sought today to try and bring about an amicable settlement.

Mathewson will be called into the picture representing the department of labor.

Meanwhile the strategy committee is meeting daily with the striking employes in the labor temple.

CONVENTION OF AFL UNIONS IN LABOR TEMPLE

Tonight in the Oakland labor temple all delegates affiliated with the central labor and building trades councils will meet to make endorsements for the coming election.

The policy committee of the AFL Political League of Alameda county will submit its report tonight; members of both councils have been requested to attend.

Meeting to convene at 8 o'clock.

HOTEL ALLIANCE OPENS MEETING IN S. F. MONDAY

OTHER LABOR NOTES

The main issue before the twenty-ninth general convention of the Hotel and Restaurant Employes' International Alliance and Bartenders' League of America which will open a five day session in San Francisco on Monday, August 15, will be per capita tax increase of all unions.

Increase of membership in the past few years from 60,000 to more than 200,000 without change in the financial set up is reported by general officers of the international.

More than 200 delegates, representing the San Francisco labor council and building trades council affiliated unions, met in the labor temple recently to further plans for the Labor day parade which will be exclusively for AFL organizations.

Application from industrial council of CIO unions to join in the line of march has been rejected by the general parade committee which at its last meeting adopted a recommendation of its parade committee that "no banners or flags be permitted in the parade except those of the United States and AFL affiliates."

July building permits issued by Ernest U. Roussell, Oakland building inspector, totaled $587,806 in value.

The past month's permits accounted for 75 single dwellings valued at $289,993.

Two-story dwellings represented $41,700 in value, while additional alterations and repairs accounted for $108,357 worth of new construction.

July building permits issued by H. I. Dygert, Albany city engineer, indicated proposed expenditure of $52,708.

Principal items were $30,000 worth of dwelling permits and $11,000 for two-story buildings and three apartments.

LABOR FORCES OF STATE TO RALLY AGAINST VICIOUS ACT PROPOSED BY STATE FARMERS

Initiative to Appear on November Ballot; Labor of State Must Fight Measure, Says Federation Secretary; Members Are Asked to Assist in Campaign

Organized labor of California this week launched plans for an intensive state - wide campaign against the so-called "farmers" anti-picketing initiative sponsored by the committee for peace in industrial relations.

The measure was reported today as having qualified for appearance on the November ballot with more than 200,000 verified signatures filed with the secretary of state, compared to 186,000 needed to qualify.

Edward D. Vandeleur, secretary of the California State Federation of Labor, immediately instructed attorneys for the federation to file legal action against the ballot title.

Romeo F. Vatuone, San Jose, president of the national council of agricultural workers, whose affiliated membership is deeply affected, announced the adoption of a strong resolution against the proposal at a meeting Sunday, and pledged full support to the federation in fighting the measure.

"Our first move is necessarily legal action against the title," Vandeleur said. "However, every member of organized labor must realize that the fight to defeat the measure at the November election is a serious one, and will prove costly to labor. We must move at once against the measure in every way possible.

"To that end it is urged that every union immediately appoint a campaign committee to carry the fight against the proposal before every voter in California. Our office will supply material from time to time, and every union must cooperate to the fullest."

All Organizations Included

Vandeleur said that announcement by the secretary of state that the so-called anti-picketing initiative had qualified for the November ballot has aroused great interest not only in labor circles, but among organizations which have no labor affiliation, and in some cases, no particular sympathy with labor.

"Our attorneys are giving close study to some of the definitions found in the measure, and in particular to the term 'labor organization' as defined in paragraph (d) of Section 2 of the act," Vandeleur said.

"During the two or three months that the measure was to some extent in the public eye due to the campaign for signatures conducted in some counties of the state, it was assumed in all discussions that the measure applied strictly to labor unions, and it was frankly conceded in most instances by the proponents of the measure that it placed new restrictions upon the activities of labor unions.

"It is now discovered that 'labor organization', according to the terms of the act, means any organization of any kind 'in which employees participate DIRECTLY or INDIRECTLY' and which exists for the purpose 'in WHOLE or in PART of dealing with employers concerning or on behalf of employees.'

"It is clear from this definition that the prpposal applies to any and all organizations of employees, and since most of us are employes of some body, and since a large number of employes belong to some organization or other, and since nearly all such organizations have some dealings with the employer, then all such organizations are subject to the drastic provisions of this initiative.

"Teachers' organizations are very properly active in securing better wages and working conditions for teachers, and the same may be said of firemen, policemen, municipal employes in general and all organizations composed of employes.

Is Most Vicious Act

"The act, however, is not confined to these organizations which are composed of employes. It expressly refrains from using the term 'composed of employes' or any other similar language.

"It does not say 'composed of employes in whole or in part.' The language of the proposal is: 'any organization of ANY KIND or any AGENCY, person or EMPLOYE REPRESENTING COMMITTEE or PLAN'.

"Evidently the framers of the measure threw out a net which they intended should cover not merely labor unions, not merely other organizations composer of ACTIVITY which the slighest relationship to the interest of employes.

"This language is not only very broad but vague in its expression. It is not certain how the courts would interest some of the provisions. That being the case, those whose activities or interest or inclinations might at some time be engaged even to a slight degree on behalf of some group of employes organized or unorganized, are vitally interested in studying the terms of this measure before it becomes part of the law of California."

JOHNSON OF GENERAL WELFARE GROUP TO ATTEND OAKLAND MEET

Arthur L. Johnson, former California labor legislator, will be in Oakland, August 18 to address a meeting called by the general welfare clubs of metropolitan Oakland.

Meeting to convene at Laurel hall, 3519 38th avenue at 8 p .m.

Johnson is secretary of the General Welfare Federation, Inc. with offices at Washington, D. C.

Anyone interested in the general welfare pension plan, H. R. 4199, are asked to attend the meeting.

Felt Workers Win Milwaukee Strike

The Hair and Felt Workers' Union, Local 143, A. F. of L. affiliate, ended its four-week strike at the plants of the American Hair and Felt company, Milwaukee, Wis. with a victory for the union.

The strike was called there June 27 when the company notified the employes their wages would be reduced ten per cent. Under the settlement terms the wage cut was not included. In addition the union was designated exclusive bargaining agency for all the employes, vacation with pay granted and negotiations started to standardize wage rates for various job classifications. The settlement affected 100 men immediately, but when the plants are running at normal production 200 are employed.

PICNIC OF I. A. OF M. SUNDAY, DURANT PARK

Auto Mechanics' Lodge, No. 1546, will picnic Sunday at Durant park, east Oakland.

Members of the local union and friends have been invited. Admission is by invitation only.

There will be games, dancing, tug-of-war and sports of all kinds. Refreshments will be served also.

Bargains for Artists

The American Guild of Musical Artists, Inc., an A. F. of L. affiliate, this week became bargaining agent for artists of the Metropolitan opera in an agreement signed with the Metropolitan Opera Association, Inc.

PAINTERS' SPECIAL MEETING CALLED TRURS., AUG. 18

Next Thursday evening, August 18, in the labor temple, members of Painters' Union, Local No. 127 will hold a special called meeting.

Purpose of this meeting, according to Harry Walters, secretary, is to vote on a resolution submitted by the bay district council of painters calling for an increase in initiation fee and monthly dues.

All members of Local 127 have been instructed to make sure a union shop card is on display before accepting employment. Only shops listed as "fair" are entitled to union painters.

I. A. OF M. SIGN CONTRACT WITH SEVERAL FIRMS

Local Auto Mechanics Secure Better Wages and Conditions Under Recently Signed Contracts

Under agreements signed recently by the International Association of Machinists and Auto Mechancs' Lodge No. 1546, the following conditions of employment were gained in the contract:

Gillig brothers, exculsive school bus builders of Hayward; wages, $8, $9 and $10 a day for mechanics and $6.40 a day for helpers. Agreement signed for one year on a 100 per cent union basis. Gillig brothers is a new firm in Alameda county. Leo Gillig, president and manager, signed for the company; E. H. Vernon for the international union.

The Motor Car dealers of the east bay signed a two year agreement with the Automotive Trades Council Nos. 1546, 1176-78 and 1085 comprising machinists, auto painters, garage employes and auto parts clerks.

Hesselmeyer and Wolff, general truck repairing, is now in the union fold under a one year contract. Conditions of employment are the 40-hour work week, $45 a week wage and two weeks' vacation with pay.

Another union agreement with the I. A. of M. was signed by the California Metal Trades association.

The agreement is in force for one year with a wage scale from $8 to $10 a day, five-day week. Approximately 2000 union employes on both sides of the bay come under this contract. It is the first of its kind signed with the association.

LOCKSMITHS' UNION ASK SUPPORT OF SHOP CARD

The federated locksmiths of the east bay district, Local No. 1031, have requested all members of trade unions and friends to support their union shop card when in need of keys, lock servicing and opening.

"Modern lock devices demand experience, skill and latest equipment, all of which you will find in a union shop," representatives of the union say.

Patronize only shops displaying the union card.

RAILWAY PICNIC SUN., AUGUST 14

Oakland Lodge 802, brotherhood of railway clerks, will picnic Sunday, August 14, at Valente park, Lafayette. Funds received from the picnic will be turned over to the sick and unemployed fund.

A program consisting of a soft ball game, novelty events, dancing and entertainment has been arranged by the committee in charge.

There will be many valuable awards given away also.

The clerks are an affiliate of the A. F. of L.

BAN ON WAGE SLASHES URGED BY A. F. OF L.

Says Wholesale Pay Reductions Would Be "Against the Public Interest"; Unemployment Is Checked and Business Confidence Returning

A strongly-phrased warning that business recovery is impossible of achievement without increased buying of the masses of our people, the American Federation of Labor, in its monthly survey of business, urged those who control industry to refrain from engaging in a program of wholesale wage cutting. Any movement to slash pay envelope contents, the federation said, would be definitely "against the public interest."

Striking an optimistic tone with regard to the progress of business recovery, the federation scheduled numerous signs indicating an upturn. The absence of widespread wage reductions thus far was held to have made possible a reserve purchasing power that has been an important factor in preventing a further decline in industrial activity. "The present high level of workers' income will prove a powerful lifting force," the survey said.

Signs of Recovery

Among the signs of improved industrial conditions, the federation listed the following:

The increase in unemployment seems to have been checked. In May 292,000 workers lost their jobs, but in June employment showed a gain of 7,000.

Business failures are decreasing, reports for the four weeks ended July 21 showing a 13 per cent decline as compared with the previous four weeks.

Inventories in the hands of wholesalers and retailers have been reduced, those for wholesalers having fallen 16.7 in June below those of a year ago.

A competent steel expert anticipates a steel operating rate of 55 per cent of capacity by the last quarter of the year.

Trade association reports indicate increasing confidence among businessmen.

Benefits of Government Spending Program

Emphasizing the importance of the government spending program in providing jobs and purchasing power for the idle, the federation said:

"Surveying the progress thus far made in the government program to create employment, we find that funds have already been allotted which will provide 9,237,000 man-months of employment before July 1, 1939. This is equivalent to full-year jobs for nearly 770,000 persons, or half-year jobs for 1,540,000, a very important addition to the nation's employment and buying power.

"No recovery can be made without increased buying power," the federation's survey concluded. "Wage cutting at the present time is against the public interest."

TO DISRUPT LOCAL CANNERY WORKERS

Move to Cut Wages So As to Get Control of Unions Used By CIO - Commies, Says Vatuone

The communist-C. I. O. combine are resorting to new tactics in their efforts to disrupt A. F. of L. unions in the agricultural and canning industry, it was reported at the monthly meeting of the national council of agricultural workers in San Francisco.

Romeo F. Vatuone, San Jose, president of the council, said that officers of several affiliated unions had reported that the communist party was now advising its members to stop antagonizing A. F. of L. unions openly and to wedge themselves into such unions on the pretext of working for their good, and then start disruptive tactics from within.

"It is up to the officers of our unions, which we have built up despite disruptive tactics of the C. I. O.-communist combine, to ignore the pledges of cooperation coming from known communists and others with C. I. O. leanings," Vatuone said.

"These antagonists are the first to volunteer to take wage cuts, as they have done in other industries, thereby hoping to break existing unions and open the door to their for of organization. Every member must be on the alert for the first signs of such tactics," Vatuone said.

Edward D. Vandeleur, secretary of the California State Federation of Labor, reported that several attempts at wage cutting had been reported in the canneries, and warned the council that any union agreeing to such cuts from the 1938 contract would lose its charter.

"These contracts were entered into in good faith," Vandeleur said. "We must do our share of maintaining them, and the employer must do the same."

Organization of several new groups of workers under the A. F. of L. was reported. The next meeting of the council will be held in Santa Barbara, Sunday, September 18th.

A. F. L. LIFE INSURANCE AGENTS COUNCIL MEET

G. L. Russ Is President and R. U. Boyer Secretary of New Unit Covering Seaboard States Set Up in Nation's Capital

Industrial and ordinary insurance agents' unions sponsored by the American Federation of Labor celebrated their first anniversary at Washington, D. C., when representatives of various lodges from Massachusetts to North Carolina formed the temporary industrial and ordinary insurance agents' council of the eastern division.

After full consideration the council adopted and forwarded to President William Green of the American Federation of Labor resolutions which emphasized the fact that "there are approximately one quarter million insurance agents within the confines of the United States who are ready and willing to be organized into an insurance group affiliated with the American Federation of Labor," and recommended "that the A. F. of L. create ways and means to establish a group of organizers picked from insurance agents for the purpose of organizing the tremendous number of unoranized insurance agents."

George L. Russ, secretary of the Industrial and Ordinary Insurance Agents' Union, No. 21354, Washington, D. C., was elected president of the council, and R. U. Boyer, also a member of the Washington lodge, was elected secretary.

WPA Setting Example For Private Industry

"You've got to be awful cynical to see any politics in this," Harry L. Hopkins told newspaper reporters this week, when he announced that 200,000 southern farm workers are to be added to WPA rolls and a wage increase is to be granted skilled and semi-skilled workers. A few weeks ago wage increases were given unskilled workers in 13 southern states.

Bakers Attention

Members of Baker's Union, Local No. 119 will meet in special session tomorrow night (Saturday) at 6 o'clock in Odd Fellows' hall, 11th and Franklin streets, Oakland.

A report of the contract committee will be acted on at this special meeting.

Members must bring their due books along in order to vote.

An assessment of $2.00 will be levied against all members failing to attend.

This meeting is important . . . please attend.

FRED WOLPERT, President
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Machinists Negotiate 973 Agreements in Seven Months

A striking illustration of the effectiveness of trade union organization founded on the basic principles of collective bargaining which animates unions affiliated with the American Federation of Labor is revealed in the record of the International Association of Machinists for the first seven months of 1938. During this period, despite the depression that has smitten business, the association negotiated 973 new and renewed agreements with employers carrying provisions for improving the living standards of the union members by means of union wage rates, hours, and work conditions.

By months, the agreements reported by the association are: January, 140 agreements in 38 cities; February, 106 agreements in 42 cities; March, 84 agreements in 42 cities; April, 148 agreements in 45 cities; May, 106 agreements in 38 cities; June, 224 agreements in 70 cities; July, 165 agreements in 51 cities.

With regard to the 165 July agreements, H. W. Brown, general vice president of the machinists' association, declares that "in none of them did we take a wage reduction, though in some instances management insisted that wages must be reduced from ten to twenty per cent, but in every case we defeated the proposed wage reductions and renewed the agreements by either continuing the wage rates then in effect or secured wage increases ranging from five cents to twenty cents an hour." This same protection for wages was contained in practically all of the agreements finalized during the preceding six months.

Notable among the July agreements was the one renewed with the Ramapo Ajax corporation of East St. Louis, Illinois, where the parties to the agreement are the following unions: machinists, electricians, operating engineers, carpenters, and the hod carriers, building and common laborers. In commenting on this agreement, Mr. Brown says: "The workers of all trades and callings from the common laborer to the skilled artisan act jointly through a federated committee for negotiating one agreement covering every employe from the basement to the attic." This agreement is a good answer to those reactionary zealots in the C. I. O. and among its sympathizers who claim that industril unionism is alien to the American Federation of Labor and its affiliated national and international unions.

Building Code Obsolescence

Federal housing experts have found that in some localities building codes do not provide adequate safeguards against shoddy construction of dwellings, that discrimination against new building materials is of frequent occurrence and that the obsolete provisions of some codes add to construction costs. A survey of the U. S. bureau of standards covering about 3,500 cities of 2,500 or more population and scheduled to be released within the near future is understood to reveal widespread obsolescence of codes. Over a number of years the bureau has prepared standard forms for a number of classes of building materials. When federal housing agencies come in contact with a building code that appears needlessly to impair their projects, the code is referred to the standards bureau, whose experts draw suggested amendments. It is reported that laboratory tests are in progress to ascertain minimum requirements for new building materials, including prefabricated types.

Undoubtedly many local building codes are woefully behind up-to-date construction models, and should be amended whenever such action is necessary to make them conform with present building standards, with emphasis on the necessity of applying well known requirements for material to guarantee one hundred per cent durability and safety, which means, of course, an absolute prohibition against jerry-built houses.

It goes without saying that all of these elements of safety and efficiency in construction will be more perfectly realized if the workmen employed on the construction projects carry membership cards in the American Federation of Labor building trades unions.



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SOCIAL SECURITY HAS ACHIEVED BIG PROGRESS IN THREE YEARS

Purchasing Power of Needy Masses Increased Billion Dollars By Benefits Paid Since Act Was Signed By the President On August 14, 1935, Social Security Board says; Millions of Workers Are Covered by Old-Age Insurance and Unemployment Compensation; Thousands of Indigent Aged, Dependent Children and Blind Persons Receive Monthly Cash Allowances

The tremendous achievements in the field of providing social security for the masses of the United States in the short period of three years since the passage of the social security act feature a summary issued by the social security board of the benefits already realized by many millions of working men and women together with the guaranteed benefits for millions more payable in future years.

Following is the text of the board's statement:

"With the announcement by the white house of a nation-wide broadcast by the president on the evening of August 15, to mark the third anniversary of his signing of the social security act, the social security board calls attention to the following record of accomplishments under the programs set up in the act:

"Unemployment insurance. — Every state now has an unemployment insurance law. In the 25 states where out-of-work benefits are already being paid, it is estimated that 2,500,000 workers have received benefits for total or partial unemployment during the first 6 months of 1938. The rest of the states will begin paying benefits within another year.

"Average payment to workers wholly unemployed, $10.77 per week; to workers partially unemployed, $5.70 per week.

"Total amount paid to unemployed workers nearly $180,000,000.

"Old-age insurance. — More than 39,000,000 workers have applied for social security account numbers, so that the social security board may keep a record of their credits toward old-age annuities if they qualify at age 65.

"Meanwhile, up to June 30, 1938, the board had certified for payment 169,622 lump-sum claims; that is, claims of workers who have reached age 65 since this part of the act became effective, or of the families or estates of such workers who have died.

"Total amount of these claims, almost $6,000,000.

"Public assistance. — More than 1,700,000 needy old people; about 609,400 dependent children in 245,700 families; and more than 39,000 needy blind people, are receiving monthly cash allowances in their homes.

"By June 30, 1938, a total of almost $789,000,000 had been paid out to these needy men, women, and children from federal, state, and local funds. (Federal funds became available in February, 1936.)

"Average monthly payments in June: to needy old people, $19.48; for aid to dependent children, $31.35 per family; to the needy blind, $23.33.

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Leed's Shoe Store, 1315 Washington St.
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United Cigar Store, 14th and Broadway
United Cigar Store, 14th and Franklin Sts.
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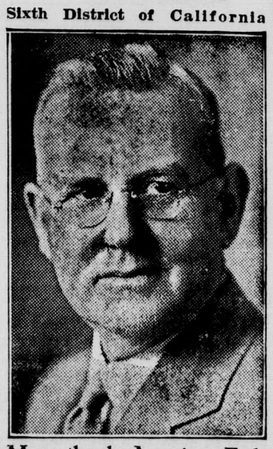
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The arbitration was between Division 1005 of the Amalgamated Association of Street, Electric Railway and Motor Coach Employes of America and the Ewin City Rapid Transit company. The chairman of the board was Federal Judge Matthew M. Joyce. Howard Y. Williams represented the union and B. G. Noah represented the company on the board.

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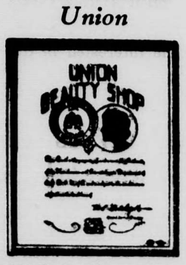
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Carmen's Union, Division No. 192

PAINTERS' NOTES

The following are the brothers who are now on the sick list: West Carpenter improving from rheumatism; W. G. Hawkins, improving from a nervous stroke; Matson, Tiele, Atkinson, Bates, Dominey, and Donovan improving. Our Brother Vice President Forsberg, while trying out for the movies as Tarzan took a tumble out of a tree and broke both wrists. This puts a man in an awkward shape. Ask Forsberg when you see him.

Brother Lambert's wife is improving slowly but still confined to bed. Any of the brothers who have time should drop in and see these sick brothers. Addresses can be obtained by calling the office, TWinoaks 2755.

We are glad to report that we finally have the list of fair contractors and any of the brothers who are employed by anyone not on this list should call into the office immediately, as the agreement provides that none of our members are allowed to work for contractors who do not wish to be a party to the agreement. The representatives have put in the major portion of their time in contacting all contractors in the district during the past two months, notices have been mailed requesting cooperation and all contractors have been given every opportunity to sign up. The agreement has been approved by the international office and all members should abide by its terms so as to avoid trouble on the job. All provisions will be rigidly enforced.

After taking a good spurt the last two weeks work has slowed down a little and we now have a few of the boys unemployed again. We again ask the brothers to call into this office in the event that your employer is in need of more men.

We have received many requests as to why there were no notes in the painters' column last week. The writer will have to admit that after writing the notes he forgot to turn them in. Many of the brothers' wives are interested in this column in the hopes that they may hear what their hubbys are doing around the hall.

After trying for some time to get a meeting started of that good old K.9 club, last Saturday the boys finally gave it up. It seems as though everyone missed that good member Brother Carpenter and no one felt like doing very much. Now that Carpenter is improving there will probably be a good rousing meeting soon.

Many of the brothers are requesting news of the store situation and we would like to give the following information. We understand that the retail clerks are selling the East Bay Labor Journal in front of one of the large stores, and that the action was endorsed by the Central Labor Council. The writer would like to say that in his sixteen years of membership in this local he has never heard anyone say or intimate that the painter has ever violated the principles that this ac-

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Street Railway Union Wins Big Wage Increase Award in Oklahoma City

President Mahon Says New Rates of 70 and 75 Cents an Hour For Local and Interurban Operators Are Highest Ever Paid in the South

William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, received the following telegram from W. B. Mahon, president of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employes:

"A smashing victory establishing the highest rate of wages ever paid upon local and interurban transportation properties in the south has been won by Division 993 of the Amalgamated Association of Street, Electric Railway and Motor Coach Employees, Oklahoma City, Okla., whose members are employed by the Oklahoma Railway.

"An arbitration award handed down August 2, granted increases in wages to local car and bus operators of 14 cents per hour, bringing their wage rate to 70 cents per hour.

"Interurban operators were increased 18 cents per hour, bringing their rates to 75 cents. Miscellaneous employes obtained wage increases of from 10 to 30 per cent.

"Many improvements in working conditions were obtained. System seniority was established. The operators are to be paid overtime and travel time; they are to be given one week's sick leave with pay and one week's vacation with pay. The wage increases were retroactive to February 1.

"Dr. John W. Raley, president of the Oklahoma Baptist university, was chairman of the boar dof arbitration. O. A. Cargill, attorney, was arbitrator for the members of Division 993. O. David Zimring, head of the labor bureau of the middle west, 11 South LaSalle street, Chicago, presented the case for the union.

"This victory follows by two weeks an arbitration conducted by Mr. Zimring for the employes of the Twin Cities Rapid Transit company, members of Division 1005 of the amalgamated association at Minneapolis and St. Paul, as a result of which the employes obtained increases in wages totalling $325,000, plus improved working conditions and a week's vacation with pay."

In commenting on the award, Mr. Green said:

"This is a fine example of the advances made from day to day by American Federation of Labor unions by peaceful negotiations."

WPA Jobs Gain

The goal of 3,000,000 WPA jobs has almost been reached by Administrator Harry L. Hopkins. He disclosed that 45,383 workers had been added during the week, bringing the total on payrolls to 2,898,597.

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AUXILIARY NOTES

HOW THE WOMEN ARE HELPING THROUGH THEIR ORGANIZATIONS

American Federation Women's Auxiliary to Trade Unions

Attention members, regular business meeting will be held Friday, August 19th, in A. F. of L. labor temple. Meeting will be called to order promptly at 1:30 p. m.

Final rehearsal for installation will take place at that time. All members are requested to be present as President Paterson wishes to assign each one to her duties for installation which will be held in Labor Temple, Saturday evening, August 20th, at 8:30.

First last and always in mind, the union label.

Notes of Ladies' Auxiliary of Carpenters No. 160

Picnic

Picnic of Ladies' Auxiliary of Carpenters' No. 160, to be held in Mosswood park, August 16th.

Meet in park at 11:30, see Erna Jenkins about the eats.

Ida Drury in charge of the coffee. Bring awards for the bingo game; also your cup, plate, spoon and fork.

We expect you all to be present.

Notice

Let us remember the first and third Tuesdays of the month. We meet, so reserve that day to attend the doings of Auxiliary No. 160.

Notes

Mrs. Margaret Carter is spending two weeks' vacation at Lake Tahoe as the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Urch and family.

Notes of Ladies' Auxiliary I. A. of M. No. 97

Meeting

We had a fine meeting, August 3rd. All those present evinced great interest in the subject discussed.

One application of Hazel J. Steward was balloted upon, and the sponsors were Mildred Hendee and President Josephine Madsen.

Letter was read from Sister Anita Wright of Redding, inviting the sisters to visit her if they come to Redding. Also thanking her mystery sister.

Chairman Lorraine Metteer gave the report of social committee and invited all to stay for the whist party after the meeting.

Sisters Rose Rodgers, Bartlett, Ray and Jessie Eck gave their change of addresses.

Finance committee rendered their report showing that they had audited the books. Everything was in order.

Brother Binger was reported not feeling so well.

Sister Marian Stall is feeling better; Sister Mary McMullen was not feeling so well.

Roll call showed Mary McMullen, Eleanor Tombe, Anna Hoover, and Marian Stall absent.

Meeting adjourned and a card party was held, the awards going to Evelyn Gerholdt, E. Lambert, L. Canopey, and Wm. Almeida who took the gentleman's awards. Mrs. E. Nicholson, Mrs. Vercelli, Mrs. E. R. Freeman, and Valia Hill took the ladies' awards. In this game, if you played a man's part you took a man's award, etc. Chair award to Alpha Fedderson; consolation, Mr. Hill and Margaret Rains.

A pleasant evening was spent and the committee wishes to thank you all.

Mystery Sisters

Have you taken care of your mystery sister this month. Look and see.

Notes

Past President Lorraine Metteer was called to Napa on account of sickness.

Brother Leo, Sister Hoover and son, Roy, motored to Pine Crest, Thursday to visit with Mrs. Lubkert and family.

Sister Virginia Kyes and her sister, Marjory Tookine, left this week for Pasadena and Los Angeles.

Brother "Art", Sister Eleanor Tombe, and brother "Johnnie" Tombe were hunting big game in the wilds of Fort Bragg, Mendocino county.

Are you doing your part to make the bazaar a success? Get in one of the sewing groups or get work from Sister Wilma Bingo, 4095 Lincoln avenue, or phone FRuitvale 0868-J and take it home.

Sewing Bee

Just a line or two to tell you the doings of the sewing bee with Sister Evelyn Gerholdt as chairman. It was held at the home of Sister Leona Gray of Monticello avenue. A buffet lunch was served of frozen desert, cookies and tea.

The sisters were busy embroidering pillow-slips and tea towels, and some sewing was taken home by Sister Ethel Schaier.

Sister Ruth Barnes' name was added to the membership roll. A pleasant afternoon and some fine work was done. Those present were President Josephine Madsen, Chairman Evelyn Gerholdt, Ethel Schaier, Ruth Barnes and Hostess Leona Gray.

The cushion that Sister Ida Willis donated was awarded to Ann Phillips, the baby jacket donated by Sister Helena Ellis of Englewood, Calif., to Jessie Eck. Auxiliary No. 97 wishes to thank you for the lovely donations.

Picnic!

"Big day" Sunday, August 14th. The picnic we all enjoy given by auto mechanics at Durant park. Visit the bingo game, social committee in charge.

Next meeting of No. 97, Wednesday, August 17th. Social committee will entertain you.

TESSIE O'LEARY, Press Cor.

Typographical Auxiliary No. 26

The regular monthly business meeting of W. A. No. 26 was held on August 4th, at Park boulevard chubhouse. The attendance was not as good as it might be owing to vacations but this condition will soon be passed and our interested members will attend as always. Make a note that there will be no social day on Wednesday, August 17th.

Take special notice and mark this on your calendar: On Wednesday, September 21st, we are going to have a gala social day—luncheon, cards and awards and we are inviting our friends. The affair will be held at Park boulevard clubhouse. Luncheon of sandwiches, coffee and cake will be served at 12:30. The charge will be thirty-five cents each. Either whist or bridge may be played and the players will have a chance to play for many nice awards. All who attended these affairs in the past have commended us highly on the splendid afternoon spent and we guarantee just the same for September 21st. Won't each one do her part and make this a successful party? If it is a success, we have a special treat in store for the October social which will be along the same lines with a special attraction.

By the way, there will be no November turkey dinner and card party this year. No. 26 has devised the plan of brilliant social days the third Wednesday of each month, where everyone will have a good time and our treasury show a larger profit. Besides we plan an occasional dinner and dance at some local union restaurant where the men folks will be included. Cards for those who don't care to dance.

President Wolters has another plan in mind which will be carried out a little later which will net our treasury considerable. Lend her your support—she is trying hard and deserving of all we can do.

Do you make it a point to read the "unfair list" in the East Bay Labor Journal?

The following is taken from the Bakers' Journal, Chicago, the issue of July 20, 1938:

"The Post company of Battle Creek, Michigan, a subsidiary of the General Foods corporation, manufacturing Post toasties, minute tapioca, Swansdown cake flour, Calumet baking powder, log cabin syrup, whole bran flakes, grape nuts, grape nut flakes, Post's 40 per cent bran flakes, instant postum, Sanka coffee, Maxwell House coffee, jello, certo, LaFrance and huskies, are on the unfair list.

"They have been placed on the fair list by Local Union 20977 of the national council of grain processors, by the Battle Creek Federation of Labor and by the American Federation of Labor.

"Notify all retail and wholesale grocers and particularly all organized retail grocery clerks that you are buying W. K. Kellog, Ralston Purina and General Mills products, and are not buying General Foods or Post products."

Remember, at all times we boost the union label.

MRS. J. F. PATTERSON,
Press Correspondent, Pro-tem.

Conscientious Teacher

Following the end of the school term a year ago, the board of education of Toledo, Ohio, received $50 anonymously from a teacher, explaining she had not earned her full salary and wished to make restitution. Last month, the board received another $50 from the same teacher with the same explanation. Now board members wonder if this is going to be an annual contribution.

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A. F. OF L. COUNSEL CONDEMNS NLRB RULING IN SERRICK CASE

Padway Declares Decision Agains Machinists' Union Is "An Unconstitutional Interference With the Rights of Craft Workers to Exercise Freedom of Choice of Representative Guaranteed by the National Labor Relations Act"

Joseph Padway, counsel for the American Federation of Labor, denounced as an effort "to abolish the craft as a unit for collective bargaining" and an "unconstitutional interference" with the workers' right to exercise freedom of choice in choosing collective bargaining representatives under the Wagner act the decision of the national labor relations board invalidating an agreement between the International Association of Machinists, affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, and the Serrick corporation of Muncie, Indiana, and directing the company to bargain exclusively with the United Automobile Workers of America, an affiliate of the CIO.

In its decision the labor board claimed representatives of the company assisted the machinists' union in obtaining membership among the toolroom employes, culminating in a closed shop agreement entered into August 11, 1937, pursuant to which, the board said, eighteen employes were discharged for failure to join the union. In addition, the company refused to bargain with the C. I. O. affiliate. The board ordered the company to reinstate the eighteen discharged employes, to "cease and desist" from encouraging membership in the machinists' association and stop interfering with organizational efforts of the C. I. O. auto workers' union.

Padway's Statement

Following is the text of Mr. Padway's statement on the labor board's decision in the Serrick corporation case:

"The decision of the board in this case is most amazing. Bit by bit, through the process of sophistry and specious reasoning, the board is establishing precedents whereby the rights of craft workers are being whittled away to a point where the principle of denial of skilled craft representation where the unskilled workers predominate in industry enunciated by Board Member Edwin Smith in the dissenting opinion in the Allis Chalmers case will become a reality.

"In the present decision the board argues that because the international association of machinists was interested in organizing general production workers in the Muncie plant the skilled craft workers in the tool and die shop affiliated with the international association of machinists are precluded from selecting their bargaining agent as a separate unit.

"It is an effort on the part of the board to abolish the craft as a unit for collective bargaining. It penalizes the tool and die makers who are skilled craftsmen and who desire to be bargained for by the international association of machinists, because the international association of machinists seeks also to organize and accept into membership the general production workers on the basis of a separate charter.

Labor Act Disregarded

"Yet the national labor relations act does not establish representation on the basis of membership in any union. The act provides that workers in an appropriate unit may by majority vote select their bargaining agent.

"It is quite possible for a group of tool and die makers, another group of production workers, and a group of other skilled craftsmen each to select the international association of machinists or any other individual or organization as its bargaining agent. That does not merge the various groups who select the same bargaining agent into one group under any construction of the act, but nevertheless the board in the present case has held that it does.

"This attempt to fuse a distinct and separate craft group with a larger non-craft group of production workers resulting in a denial to the craft group of its separate choice of representative is wholly unwarranted, unlawful and an unconstitutional interference with the rights of craft workers to exercise freedom of choice of representative guaranteed by the national labor relations act.

Guthrie Agreement Cited

"Another factor to be considered in the present case is this: About a year ago the workers were on strike, resulting in litigation before Judge Guthrie of Muncie, Indiana. As a basis of resumption of operations Judge Guthrie secured an agreement as follows:

"'It is agreed that there will be no discrimination as between employes on account of labor union affiliation or otherwise, and that no intimidation shall be permitted by any person whomsoever of any employe looking to his becoming a member of or resigning from any labor organization.

"'It is agreed that the plant of the plaintiff company shall be permitted to operate without interruption on the part of any person or persons and the strike now in progress shall be suspended pending an election to be held at such time and place as the labor relations board may determine.'

"Instead of calling the election the board held up its decision for almost a year. The board now decides that no election will be held and certifies the C. I. O. as the bargaining agency even though ninety per cent of the workers are now members of the American Federation of Labor.

Biased Decisions Charged

"The decision is not only the result of prejudice and bias against the A. F. of L., but it is a denial of fundamental rights of a majority of the workers in appropriate units to select their own bargaining agents.

"One should not be amazed if in such a situation the order of the board will not be respected by employes whose guaranteed rights are trampled upon through biased decrees, thus encouraging war between the board and free American workers.

"There are some rights which workers legally possess and these rights are paramount to the edicts of the national labor relations board. The American worker is not yet prepared to submit to 'enslavement' by bureaucratic decree."

Dan Murphy Making Strong Bid For Governor

Local labor bodies continued to mass behind the candidacy of Daniel C. Murphy for the democratic nomination for governor, a headquarters announcement of his said yesterday. From the large centers of industrial activity the trend toward Murphy moved inward through the valleys, the statement said, so that this stage of the contest finds the San Francisco sheriff's campaign organization firmly established throughout California.

William M. Byrne, campaign manager of southern California counties, continued to maintain his optimistic conviction that Los Angeles and its environs would equal the bay cities' support for Murphy for the democratic nomination.

"I have never in my long career seen a political candidate better received," was his sum-up of sheriff's appearances in Los Angeles territory.

Like Tulare, other counties in agricultural California are swinging toward the liberal, progressive, socially-minded candidate indorsed by the American Federation of Labor political league.

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ALTMEYER LAUDS LABOR'S AID IN SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAM

Chairman of Board Administering Act Cites Assistance Given By Trade Union Movement in Passage of Measure and Its Application

Arthur J. Altmeyer, chairman of the social security board, in "A Message to Organized Labor," made public in connection with the third anniversary, August 14, of the signing of the social security act by President Roosevelt, paid a high tribute to the whole-hearted support given by the American trade union movement both in securing the passage of the act by the congress of the United States in 1935, and in reducing the difficulties of the many problems arising in the administration of the measure.

Following is the text of Mr. Altmeyer's message:

"As the social security board reviews the first three years' operation of the programs set up under the social security act, we realize again our own and the nation's debt to organized labor.

"It was with the support of labor that the act was passed by congress. And as we are proud to record, it has been with labor's cooperation that the law has been administered.

"This is as it should be, for much of the act is labor law. But we are none the less gratified to have it so.

"We are able to report substantial progress in these first three years. But our problems have been many and we shall encounter many more. Labor has recognized this, has given us its counsel and its criticism — and with unwavering support of the fundamentals of the act has helped us to meet the difficulties.

"Our thanks and appreciation, then, to the men and women of labor. We look forward to more progress with their continuing counsel, and, we trust, their continuing support."

Wool Manufacturers Act to Back Standards Of New Wage-Hour Law

The national association of wool manufacturers gave the first post-passage approval to the wage and hour act. They not only did this; but called on members of the industry to observe the far higher minimum wages which wool carried over from NRA days; 32½ cents an hour in the south, 35 cents an hour in the north. Both sections have a 40-hour week.

"The wage and hour law, if wisely and properly administered, can be of great help in freeing the local dress market from the unmeetable competition of out-of-town, substandard shops," declared Mortimer Lanzit, executive director of the national dress manufacturers' association, and other garment industry leaders said the same things in somewhat different manner.

Several of the garment trades are planning to put in a 40-cent minimum as fast as possible, as a means of sweating out the sweat shops.

The cloak and suit industry declared that the labor organizations in their industry had "an uplifting effect on the 5 per cent of chiselers."

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A. F. OF L. ORGANIZING NEW SEAMEN'S UNION

Action Taken by Green to Unite Americans and Canadians in One Organization; Formation of A. F. of L. Marine Department, "Embracing All Off-Shore Organizations," Is Also Planned

William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, announced that a tentative plan was in progress to form one national and international union for unlicensed seamen employed on American and Canadia merchant ships.

The anouncement was made following a number of conferences with a committee headed by Harry Lundberg, president of the Sailors' Union of the Pacific, formerly affiliated with the International Seamen's Union of America (A. F. of L.). It was agreed to ask for a referendum among the unlicensed personnel of seamen's organizations on the Atlantic and Gulf coasts and the Great Lakes.

The sailors' union of the Pacific recently ratified the proposal to reaffilate with the A. F. of L.

Mr. Green also said that possibly the executive council of the American Federation of Labor at its meeting which opens in Atlantic City on August 22 would take steps to create an A. F. of L. maritime department to include in one alliance all off-shore and waterfront organizations.

Text of Green's Statement

Following is the text of Mr. Green's announcement:

"Tentative agreement has been reached on a plan to unite all the unlicensed personnel on American and Canadian merchant ships in a new international union chartered by the American Federation of Labor.

"The plan already has been ratified by a referendum vote of the sailors' union of the Pacific, an independent union which now seeks affiliation with the A. F. of L.

"During the next two weeks membership meetings will be held by A. F. of L. Seamen's unions on the Atlantic and Gulf coasts and the Great Lakes to vote on the merger.

"We confidently expect approval of the proposal by the seamen who will see the advantages of uniting and organizing on a national and international basis for their own protection and welfare. There is no national or international organization of seamen in existence today.

"The organizations to become part of the new union have a present membership of more than 25,000. An intensive organization drive will be inaugurated immediately along the Atlantic and Gulf coasts which is expected to double that membership within a year.

"Once the proposal is completely ratified, an international charter will be issued by the American Federation of Labor to the sailors' union of the Pacific with full jurisdiction over unlicensed personnel on American and Canadian ships.

"The sailors' union of the Pacific will, in turn, issue a district charter to the bona fide seamen of the Atlantic and Gulf coasts. Members of the S. U. P. agree not to come over to the Atlantic to compete for jobs with the east coast seamen where the latter have agreements with ship owners.

"As soon as is practically possible, a convention will be called by the new organization for the purposes of drafting a new constitution, selecting a new name and electing officers.

"In addition to the above program, the American Federation of Labor is taking further steps to protect maritime workers by the creation of a new maritime department within the A. F. of L. The new department will embrace all off-shore and waterfront organizations in a powerful alliance.

"With this set-up it becomes evident that, under aggressive, responsible and inspiring leadership, American Federation of Labor unions will stand preeminent in the maritime field."

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Movie Operators Back Miller For State Assembly

Assemblyman George P. Miller, of the fourteenth district, has been formally endorsed for reelection by the Moving Picture Projectionists' Local, No. 169, I. A. T. S. E., according to a statement released by Al Daul, business manager of the local.



GEORGE P. MILLER

Miller's endorsement is a recognition of the fight he undertook at the last session of the legislature to protect the interests of motion picture projectionists when certain bills that sought to establish undesireable standards were introduced by a southern California legislator.

"We are 100 per cent behind Miller for reelection to the assembly because of the fine record he made during the last session of the legislature. He has proven himself a friend of labor and our endorsement is given wholeheartedly," said Daul, in discussing the action of his local. "We are for Miller and we intend to do everything we can to ensure his reelection."

Miller was a member of the assembly committee on labor and capital, the committee in which organized labor is most interested. He also served on the all important ways and means committee and the committee on unemployment.

Miller's record as a legislator is consistently favorable to labor by all of the standard tests.

Miller lives in Alameda, where he owns his own home; he is a civil engineer by profession and an ex-serviceman, having served in the field artillery during the world war.—Adv.

Important for Firemen

In Milwaukee, Wis., 808 young men took the examination for city fireman recently. Six of them can learn why they flunked, if they will consult a dictionary. They defined "incendiary" as a hospital for the insane.

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Quinn Campaign For Coroner Gaining Strength Here

With the present political situation of drawing to a climax, the campaign for coroner of Oakland City Councilman James H. Quinn is bringing that candidate far to the front. Quinn has advocated the establishment of a county morgue to be located in the old county court-house, taking the office of coroner out of the hands of private commercial enterprise and making it a distinct county office.

Efficiency of operation and the impartial distribution of county business is the basis of this Quinn proposal. A fair administration and business-like operation of this important office with proper regard of tax-payers' money, is the crux of the whole Quinn campaign. He urges that the office be operated independently of the undertaking business and of any private commercial endeavor, that the coroner's whole time be devoted to the business-like administration of an important office that handles county funds and is responsible for county business affiliations.

Inasmuch as the coroner's office has a civil service physician attached to it and that the office is not in the undertaking business, the Quinn platform of straight administrative operation is daily gaining thousands of supporters.

PAINTERS' NOTES

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tion stands for. Let us keep this record clean.

We are sorry to report the death of one of our old time members who passed away last week, Brother J. Orr. Brother Orr received his total disability several years back and consequently was not a member of the local death fund. In looking back over the old records we note that Brother Orr was a member of the Paperhangers' Local, No. 247, in 1893. His many old time brothers will regret his passing and the local extends its sympathy to his family.

A special meeting has been called for August 18 to consider the raising of the initiation fee and increasing the dues. This resolution originated in District Council No. 8 of San Francisco and was sent to this council with a request that the local unions vote on the proposition. Your attendance is requested.

It's too bad that after shooting a nice dear in the Livermore hills Peanut Popper Parman had to leave it there. Guess the weight was too much for the traveling bathtub to carry.

Don't forget that if we want friends in office we have to put them there. Let's all help to put our good friend and brother, James Quinn in as coroner. Also Brother Phillip Ickler to the democratic county central committee from the 14th district.

21-Hour Week Looms, Morrison Repeats

Frank Morrison, beloved secretary of the American Federation of Labor, wasn't "kidding" recently when he predicted a 21-hour week for printers.

Speaking before the state convention of the allied printing trades council this week, Morrison said:

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Acting Premier of Ontario Tells Federal Government Charges Are Too High

Acting Premier Harry C. Nixon of the province of Ontario has called on the federal government to investigate freight rates on Ontario wheat.

"Rates for export on Ontario wheat are much higher than on foreign-grown grain or on grains grown in other provinces," Mr. Nixon holds, insisting that, because of these rates, markets have been lost for Ontario winter wheat and the flour milled from that wheat.